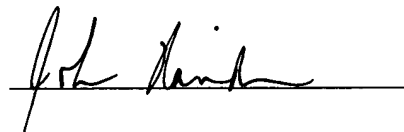


**REMARKS**

By the present Response, claim 34 is cancelled to simplify issues for appeal.  
Entry of the Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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